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Convoy for Freedom Update 57

Next Report: February 18, 2022 4:00pm

MTO Status Updates

MTO MAG: Activated

Updates in Blue

Transportation Safety Statistics

- Number of Drivers Licence Suspensions submissions received to date - 0
- Number of Vehicle Plate Suspensions submissions received to date - 0
- Number of CVOR Suspension submission received to date – 0
- Number of CVOR Warning Submissions received to date – 53, Number of CVOR Warnings Issued – 53.

Regional Updates

Region	Events:	Notes - Operational Updates and Impacts
WEST RAG: Activated	OPP stationed at both off ramps from EC row to Huron Church Road working on measures to prevent protestors from returning. Ambassador Bridge fully open. Canada-bound and US-bound traffic flowing freely. Ridgetown –The 401 east-bound off-ramp to Victoria Road was reopened as of Feb. 17, 2022 at 11:19hrs.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested. OPP is aware MTO Transportation Enforcement Officers will be available upon request. MTO/AMC staff support possibly required by OPP. Staff are remaining on standby.

	The second convoy has headed back to Chatham.	
CENTRAL RAG: Activated	Refer to the Municipal Issues section below regarding Niagara. There is also ongoing monitoring for slow roll protests along the Windsor to Toronto stretch of the 401.	OPP activated the command post at COMPASS (Friday, Feb 18) at 6 am. Maintenance will be on standby - however expect to be carrying out winter operations. TSD and Central Operations will have representatives onsite at Arrow Road to support Saturday, and into Sunday as needed. Enforcement Officers deployed from Central Region to East Region in Ottawa to support police partners. OPP is also aware that MTO Transportation Enforcement Officers and Maintenance staff continue to be available upon request.
EAST RAG: Activated	Refer to the Municipal Issues section below. MTO assisting police provincially when required. Off ramps into the downtown core of Ottawa have been closed.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.

NORTHEAST RAG: Activated	Small local convoy planned in New Liskeard for Saturday, February 19 beginning at 11 AM. Route is 343 Whitewood Avenue to Armstrong Street, to Highway 65, to Highway 11. Route includes approximately 1.5 km of highway. Remainder of route is on municipal roads.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.
NORTHWEST RAG: Activated	Social Media Reported: Convoy from Saskatchewan reached Northwestern Ontario. Reports of three buses and a few passenger vehicles in convoy. Reports that they spent the night in Kenora and are making their way along Highway 17 towards Thunder Bay today. RAG continues to monitor the situation. Refer to Municipal Issues section for additional planned protests.	MTO will assist as usual practice if requested by OPP.

OPS Building & Operations Issues

- No updates at this time.

Services Disruptions

- Metrolinx
 - No updates at this time.

- Active construction projects are being monitored for any impacts due to the protests.
- CBSA reports normal operations have resumed at the Ambassador Bridge.
- CBSA reports normal operations have resumed at the Peace Bridge.

Municipal Issues

- West -Windsor
 - Police in Windsor, Ont., say officers intercepted a transport truck convoy suspected of attempting to occupy a busy international bridge that was recently cleared of protesters (CP24 News).
 - Windsor police have also reported that a convoy of six to seven trucks was stopped by officers about 250 kilometres from the city on Highway 401 within the past 24 hours. ([CP24 News article](#)).
 - Access to Ambassador Bridge remains open.
- West – Strathroy
 - No updates at this time.
- Central – Niagara
 - [Planned protest for Saturday leaving Niagara on the lake and proceeding towards the border crossings in Niagara Falls central.](#)
- Central – Toronto
 - No indication of any protests for Toronto today.
- East – Ottawa
 - [MTO update above.](#)
 - [In Ottawa arrests continued overnight as police slowly and methodically lock down the downtown core continued overnight.](#)
 - Protests continue in Ottawa.
- North West
 - Social media confirmed, the Feb 26th Nipigon Convoy will travel from Thunder Bay to Terrace Bay on the 26th direct then go to protest in Nipigon on the 27th.
 - Freedom Convoy Thunder Bay has planned convoy, ending with a rally, on Saturday, February 19 beginning at 1:30PM, with route throughout the city of Thunder Bay. No highways indicated in route.
- North East
 - No updates at this time.

Interprovincial / International Border Issues

- No updates at this time.